

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Number : 10/561,793 Confirmation No.: 3642  
Applicant : Guy VANCANNEYT, *et al.*  
Filed : December 21, 2005  
35 U.S.C. § 371 Date : June 9, 2006  
Title : METHODS AND MEANS FOR DELAYING SEED  
SHATTERING IN PLANTS  
TC/Art Unit : 1638  
Examiner: : Li Zheng  
Docket No. : 58764.000055  
Customer No. : 21967

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

Applicants provide the following remarks in response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 5, 2007 (hereinafter the "Office Action"), in the above-captioned application.

**PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants respectfully petition for a five-month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response July 5, 2007. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extensions of time.

Please charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$ 2,160.00 to cover the five-month extension of time fee. It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of these remarks, but should any fees be necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.